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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 May 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-35 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 21-33 and 35 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1, 2, 12, 15 and 34 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 3-11, 13, 14 and 16-20 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Upon further consideration, the indicated allowability of some claims has been withdrawn.

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Claims 1, 2, 12, 15, & 34 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Barrie et al 6,669,586.

Barrie shows an arrow head including a ferrule having a channel 15; and a blade having a boss extending transversely therefrom and received in the channel for coupling the blade to the channel, in cooperation with collar 16, for sliding movement within the channel from a retracted position (figure 1) to a deployed position (figure 4). The boss is considered to be the tab extending from the lower end of blade face, or "flank portion", 17d (figure 3); any direction extending away from the blade may be considered "transverse". There is an elastic retainer element 20.

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Claims 3-11, 13, 14, & 16-20 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 21-33 & 35 are allowed.

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This letter was prepared by Examiner John Ricci, who can be reached at:

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